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INTRODUCTION

The Legislative Assembly Estimates present to the Legislative Assembly expenditure proposals for the 1988-89 fiscal year. The Legislative Assembly will be asked to appropriate sums from the General Revenue Fund to each vote under section 2 of the Appropriation Act, 1988.

For the information of the Legislative Assembly, details of each vote are provided at the element level and by object of expenditure.

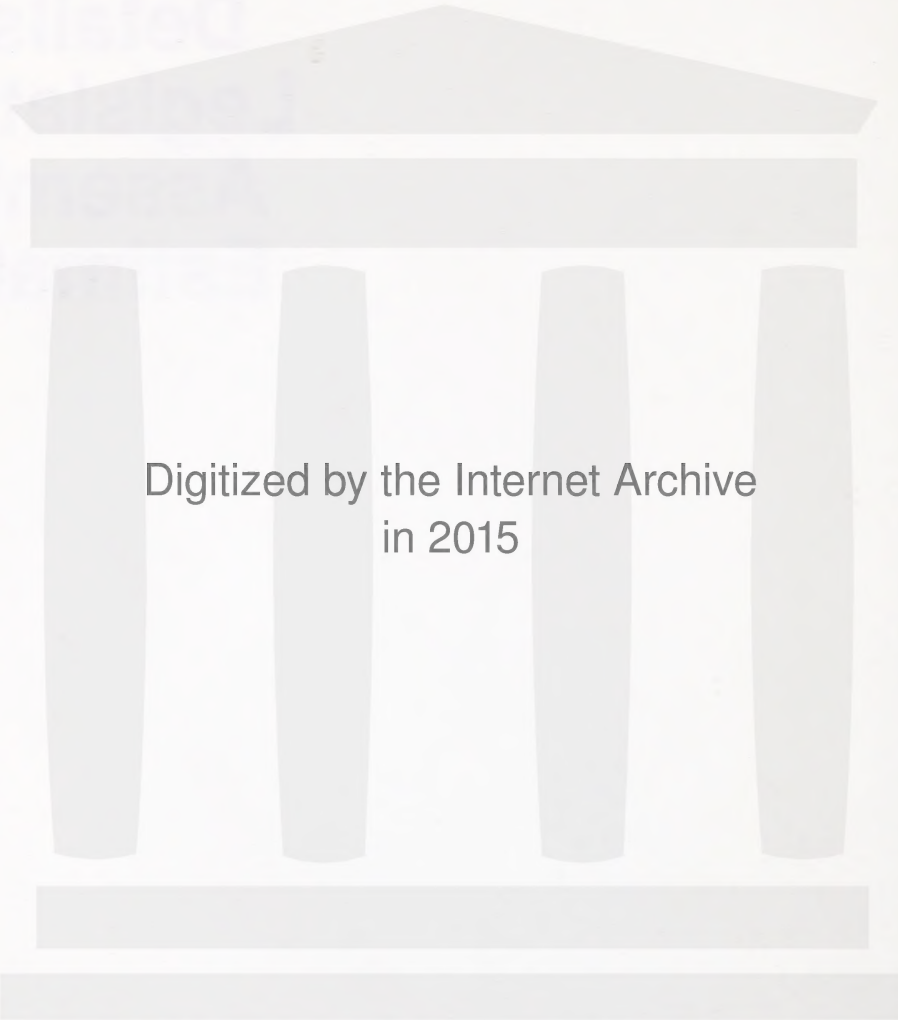
SYMBOLS

The following symbols are used throughout this publication:

- amount too small (large) to be expressed
- nil or zero.

**1988-89
Details of
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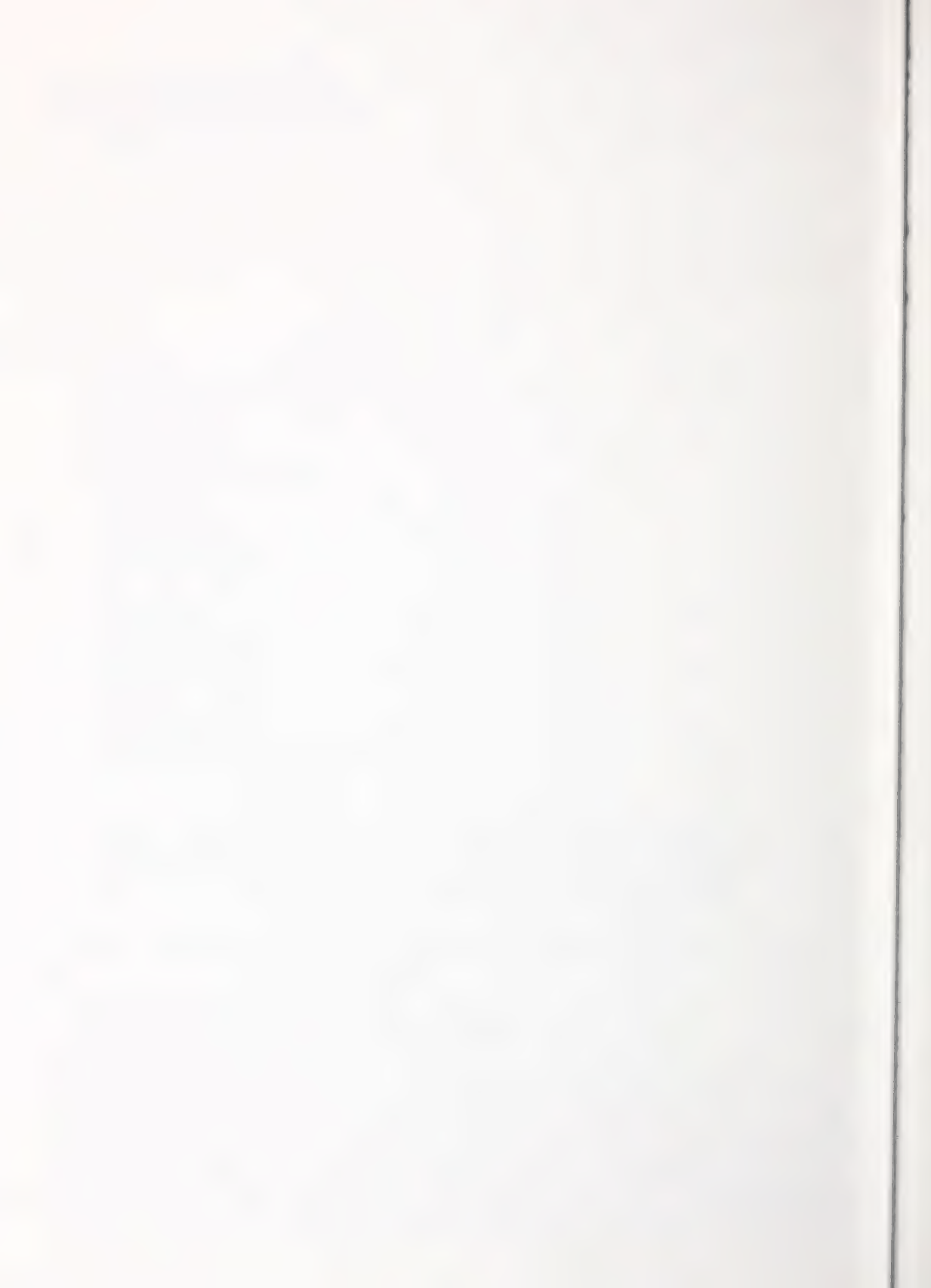
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The Legislative Assembly is the parliament of Alberta, consisting of members who are elected by the people of Alberta. Through them Albertans make provincial laws and provide money needed by the government for the present and future good of the people of the province. In keeping with the time-honoured tradition of parliamentary self-government, the Lieutenant Governor gives assent to the laws so made by Albertans.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURE

VOTE	1988-89 Estimates	% Change From Comparable 1987-88 Estimates	Comparable 1987-88 Estimates	Comparable 1986-87 Actual
	\$	%	\$	\$
1 Support to the Legislative Assembly	15,828,149	- -	15,835,843	15,053,135
2 Office of the Auditor General	10,161,546	(2.1)	10,379,562	9,862,812
3 Office of the Ombudsman	1,120,800	25.1	896,200	818,996
4 Office of the Chief Electoral Officer	4,268,227	445.6	782,300	3,775,006
Amount to be voted	31,378,722	12.5	27,893,905	29,509,949



SUMMARY BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE
TOTAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

1988-89 Estimates	% Change From Comparable 1987-88 Estimates		Comparable 1987-88 Estimates
\$	%		\$
229,551	2.0	Statutory Salaries and Benefits	225,076
12,699,348	(0.7)	Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	12,783,031
13,559,953	35.6	Supplies and Services	9,999,585
19,500	(75.8)	Grants	80,700
381,602	(5.2)	Purchase of Fixed Assets	402,585
4,488,768	1.9	Payments to Members of the Legislative Assembly	4,402,928
31,378,722	12.5	Total Legislative Assembly	27,893,905
30,997,120	12.8	Operating	27,491,320
381,602	(5.2)	Capital	402,585

SUMMARY OF MANPOWER AUTHORIZATION
TOTAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

1988-89 Estimates		Comparable 1987-88 Estimates
319.4	Full-Time Equivalent Employment	326.9
253	Permanent Full-Time Positions	256

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—*Continued*
SUPPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

AUTHORITY:

Legislative Assembly Act.
Standing Orders of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta.
Resolutions of the Assembly.

OBJECTIVE:

To provide for the necessary administrative and financial support to the Legislative Assembly of Alberta.

SERVICES PROVIDED:

Provides all services required for the operation of the Legislative Assembly.
Provides for payment of indemnities, committee allowances, expense allowances and living expenses to Members of the Legislative Assembly as authorized by the Legislative Assembly Act.
Provides for payment of mailing, telephone and other communication expenses for Members of the Legislative Assembly.
Provides for transportation expenses of Members of the Legislative Assembly.
Provides for expenses for Members' Constituency Offices.
Provides for payment of pension premiums, disability benefits and health insurance premiums and benefits for Members of the Legislative Assembly.
Provides for expenses incurred in connection with the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association.
Provides special research services.
Provides funds for the operation of committees of the Legislative Assembly.
Provides a library service to the Legislature, Public Service and general public.
Provides for publication of Alberta Hansard.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—Continued

VOTE 1 — SUPPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

SUMMARY BY ELEMENT

Reference No.	1988-89 Estimates	% Change From Comparable 1987-88 Estimates	Element	Comparable 1987-88 Estimates	Comparable 1986-87 Actual
	\$	%		\$	\$
1.0.1			GENERAL ADMINISTRATION		
	482,781	0.5		480,582	428,848
1.0.2			HOUSE SERVICES		
	909,423	9.1		833,726	905,077
1.0.3			MLA ADMINISTRATION		
	5,388,093	(0.2)		5,397,133	4,741,491
1.0.4			MEMBERS' INDEMNITIES AND ALLOWANCES		
	4,488,768	1.9		4,402,928	3,900,970
1.0.5			SPEAKER AND DEPUTY SPEAKER—OFFICE SERVICES		
	294,380	(4.3)		307,521	248,602
1.0.6			GOVERNMENT MEMBERS' SERVICES		
	1,120,000	—		1,120,000	1,291,411
1.0.7			OFFICIAL OPPOSITION SERVICES		
	783,272	—		783,272	876,672
1.0.8			LIBERAL OPPOSITION SERVICES		
	320,880	—		320,880	339,858
1.0.9			REPRESENTATIVE OPPOSITION SERVICES		
	181,696	—		181,696	230,395
1.0.10			LEGISLATURE COMMITTEES		
	206,560	(1.4)		209,503	123,020
1.0.11			LEGISLATIVE INTERNS		
	105,365	(18.2)		128,851	167,180
1.0.12			HANSARD		
	651,543	- -		651,552	736,451
1.0.13			LEGISLATURE LIBRARY		
	895,388	(12.1)		1,018,199	1,063,160
	AMOUNT TO BE VOTED		TOTAL SUPPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY		
	15,828,149	- -		15,835,843	15,053,135
Operating	15,616,477	(0.4)		15,684,908	14,481,214
Capital	211,672	40.2		150,935	571,921

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VOTE 1 — SUPPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**SUMMARY BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE**

1988-89 Estimates	% Change From Comparable 1987-88 Estimates		Comparable 1987-88 Estimates
\$	%		\$
229,551	2.0	Statutory Salaries and Benefits	225,076
4,267,479	(2.2)	Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	4,363,337
6,611,179	(0.9)	Supplies and Services	6,674,067
19,500	—	Grants	19,500
211,672	40.2	Purchase of Fixed Assets	150,935
4,488,768	1.9	Payments to Members of the Legislative Assembly	4,402,928
15,828,149	- -	Total Support to the Legislative Assembly	15,835,843

SUMMARY OF MANPOWER AUTHORIZATION

119.1	Full-Time Equivalent Employment	122.1
47	Permanent Full-Time Positions	51

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—*Continued*
OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

AUTHORITY:

Auditor General Act.

OBJECTIVE:

To conduct professional, independent audits and express opinions as required by section 18 of the Auditor General Act and other statutes, on the financial statements of the Crown including departments, regulated funds, revolving funds, provincial agencies and other organizations or bodies of which the Auditor General is auditor. After the end of the fiscal year of the Crown, to report to the Legislative Assembly on the work of the Office of the Auditor General, and on matters which were observed during the course of that work, as required by section 19 of the Auditor General Act. To undertake special auditing or investigative assignments as may be specified by the Legislative Assembly and also, under certain conditions, as specified by the Executive Council.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—Continued

VOTE 2 — OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

SUMMARY BY ELEMENT

Reference No.	1988-89 Estimates	% Change From Comparable 1987-88 Estimates	Element	Comparable 1987-88 Estimates	Comparable 1986-87 Actual
2.0.1	\$	%		\$	\$
	10,161,546	(2.1)	OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL	10,379,562	9,862,812
	AMOUNT TO BE VOTED		TOTAL OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL		
	10,161,546	(2.1)		10,379,562	9,862,812
Operating	10,003,116	(1.3)		10,139,912	9,230,562
Capital	158,430	(33.9)		239,650	632,250

SUMMARY BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE

1988-89 Estimates	% Change From Comparable 1987-88 Estimates		Comparable 1987-88 Estimates
\$	%		\$
7,250,332	(2.0)	Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	7,402,004
2,752,784	2.8	Supplies and Services	2,676,708
—	(100.0)	Grants	61,200
158,430	(33.9)	Purchase of Fixed Assets	239,650
10,161,546	(2.1)	Total Office of the Auditor General	10,379,562

SUMMARY OF MANPOWER AUTHORIZATION

174.0	Full-Time Equivalent Employment	180.0
181	Permanent Full-Time Positions	181

OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN

AUTHORITY:

Ombudsman Act.

OBJECTIVE:

To provide an impartial investigation on behalf of any person who feels he has suffered an injustice through the actions of departments, agencies or officials of the Government of Alberta, and to recommend corrective action if the complaint is justified.

SERVICES PROVIDED:

Investigation of complaints concerning the actions of departments, agencies or officials of the Government of Alberta, at no cost to the individual requesting this service. Disposition of complaints by explaining action of Government to the complainant, if the complaint is not justified, or by recommendation for corrective action if the complaint is supported.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—*Continued*

VOTE 3 — OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN

SUMMARY BY ELEMENT

Reference No.	1988-89 Estimates	% Change From Comparable 1987-88 Estimates	Element	Comparable 1987-88 Estimates	Comparable 1986-87 Actual
	\$	%		\$	\$
3.0.1			EDMONTON OFFICE		
	969,310	28.5		754,500	709,451
3.0.2			CALGARY OFFICE		
	151,490	6.9		141,700	109,545
	AMOUNT TO BE VOTED		TOTAL OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN		
	1,120,800	25.1		896,200	818,996
Operating	1,116,800	25.2		892,200	810,014
Capital	4,000	—		4,000	8,982

SUMMARY BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE

1988-89 Estimates	% Change From Comparable 1987-88 Estimates		Comparable 1987-88 Estimates
\$	%		\$
		Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	
826,500	21.5		680,400
		Supplies and Services	
290,300	37.1		211,800
		Grants	
—	—		—
		Purchase of Fixed Assets	
4,000	—		4,000
		Total Office of the Ombudsman	
1,120,800	25.1		896,200

SUMMARY OF MANPOWER AUTHORIZATION

17.3	Full-Time Equivalent Employment	16.3
17	Permanent Full-Time Positions	16

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—*Continued*
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER

AUTHORITY:

Election Act.

Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act.

Electoral Boundaries Commission Act.

Electoral Divisions Act.

OBJECTIVE:

To provide the necessary administrative, logistic and financial support for general and special enumerations, general elections, by-elections and plebiscites in support of the Election Act and to the Electoral Boundaries Commission. To monitor the financial activities of the registered parties, constituency associations and candidates to ensure compliance with the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act.

SERVICES PROVIDED:

Provides for enumerations, elections, by-elections and plebiscites. Communication and liaison with executive officers of registered parties, constituency associations, and candidates and their campaign officials pertaining to the established policies and procedures of the relevant acts.

The Chief Electoral Officer is a member of the Electoral Boundaries Commission.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—Continued

VOTE 4 — OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER

SUMMARY BY ELEMENT

Reference No.	1988-89 Estimates	% Change From Comparable 1987-88 Estimates	Element	Comparable 1987-88 Estimates	Comparable 1986-87 Actual
	\$	%		\$	\$
4.0.1	381,757	(0.1)	ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT	382,300	349,607
4.0.2	100,000	—	ELECTIONS	100,000	3,393,630
4.0.3	3,786,470	- -	ENUMERATIONS	300,000	31,769
	AMOUNT TO BE VOTED		TOTAL OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER		
	4,268,227	445.6		782,300	3,775,006
Operating	4,260,727	450.3		774,300	3,771,193
Capital	7,500	(6.3)		8,000	3,813

SUMMARY BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE

1988-89 Estimates	% Change From Comparable 1987-88 Estimates		Comparable 1987-88 Estimates
\$	%		\$
355,037	5.3	Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefits	337,290
3,905,690	- -	Supplies and Services	437,010
—	—	Grants	—
7,500	(6.3)	Purchase of Fixed Assets	8,000
4,268,227	445.6	Total Office of the Chief Electoral Officer	782,300

SUMMARY OF MANPOWER AUTHORIZATION

9.0	Full-Time Equivalent Employment	8.5
8	Permanent Full-Time Positions	8

VOTE	DESCRIPTION OF SPECIAL WARRANT

SUMMARY OF AMOUNTS TO BE VOTED
ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE
For the fiscal year ending March 31, 1989

Vote	Estimates
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY	
1 Support to the Legislative Assembly	\$ 15,828,149
2 Office of the Auditor General	10,161,546
3 Office of the Ombudsman	1,120,800
4 Office of the Chief Electoral Officer	4,268,227
Amount to be voted under section 2 of the Appropriation Act, 1988 (Legislative Assembly Estimates)	\$ 31,378,722

